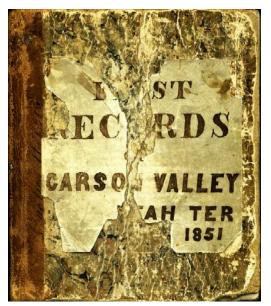
First Records of Carson Valley, Utah Territory, 1851



INTRODUCTION

One hundred fifty years ago, there were three small non-Indian settlements in what became Nevada. One group of settlers arrived in Carson Valley on June 6, 1851 from the Salt Lake area of Utah Territory. Lead by Col. John Reese the all-male party lost no time in erecting a trading post to serve travelers to California and clearing land for vegetables and other crops. Soon the post, known as Mormon or Reese's Station, included a blacksmith shop, saw mill, general store, hotel, and corral.

In October the Carson Valley settlers decided to stay when the U.S. Mail contractors George Chorpenning, Jr. and his partner Absolam Woodward established a mail station and drove eighty head of mules eastward from California with enough supplies to outfit their mail station for the winter. Reese and the other settlers were about to leave the valley and decided to stay the winter. The settlers met on November 12, 1851 and established a provisional government to protect their land claims and to maintain civil order. That is the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the first public record created in Nevada History.

At this meeting and subsequent gatherings on November 19 and 20, May 23, 1852, and May 21, 1853 the settlers adopted procedures for filing land claims and appointed

officers to carry out those new regulations - a recorder, treasurer, justice of the peace, court of four, clerk of the court, sheriff, and permanent committee of seven (later five) persons to "exercise & enforce law according to the acknowledged rules of equity which govern all civilized communities."

Frank G. Barnard, who was elected Secretary, wrote the minutes of those first and subsequent meetings in a small, ruled notebook. He was followed by Recorder J.C. (James) Fain whose handwriting comprises most of the book. This "Publick Record" was used to record all legal transactions between November 12, 1851 and March 5, 1855. Recordings included land surveys, claims, mortgages, and sales; toll road licenses; applications for attachments; performance/payment bonds; and legal judgments. They document the settlement of the Carson Valley and ironically, the financial rise and fall of John Reese's Nevada undertaking in western Utah Territory.

The First Records of Carson Valley was transcribed literally as written, including misspellings, excessive capitalization, and nineteenth century abbreviations. It comprises eight-one numbered pages. Pages one-twelve are followed by a series of unnumbered pages (thirteen to thirty-seven, which the transcriber indicated in square brackets [13]). Pagination by J.C. Fain, Recorder, resumes with page twenty-five. Some blank pages were left by Fain but their numbering is inconsistent. Fain did an interesting thing following page fifty-four; he began page fifty-five by turning the book upside-down and backwards. He continued to page eight-one, which faces page fifty-four.

The First Records of Carson Valley was photocopied and published by the Nevada Historical Society in the Nevada Historical Society Quarterly (Summer-Fall 1966, Vol. IX, Numbers 2 & 3). An introduction by Effie Mona Mack was included. The First Records was indexed by Marion Ellison in her book, An Inventory & Index to the Records of Carson County, Utah & Nevada Territories, 1855-1861 (published by the Grace Dangberg Foundation, Inc., 1984). Ellison provided an excellent description of the state of record keeping in Nevada from 1851-1861, compiled a summary list of the transactions in the First Records, and indexed all names in that small register.

Four books are helpful in understanding events of 1851-1855. Perhaps the first publication of any of the content of the First Records was editor Myron Angel's, *History of Nevada, 1881, with Illustrations* (originally published by Thompson and West and reprinted in 1958 by Howell-North). Angel found the First Records in the hands of Mark Gaige of Carson City and used it for his account of the first government in Nevada. Robert W. Ellison's *Territorial Lawmen of Nevada, Volume 1* (Hot Springs Mountain Press, 1999) is helpful in providing biographical information about many of the men whose names appear in the First Records. Ellison made extensive use of the First Records to document the legal affairs of Nevada's early law officials. C.W. Bayer's *Profit, Plots & Lynching-Mormon Station, the Founding of Carson City and the Creation of Nevada Territory* (neato stuff, 1995) describes events of this time in narrative form, complete with maps of claims recorded in the First Records. Last, Sally Zanjani's book *Devils Will Reign: How Nevada Began* (Reno: University of Nevada Press, 2006) describes the farmers, miners, wanderers, and adventurers who came to Nevada and established the first government in what became the state of Nevada.

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Publick Record

Pursuant to notice of a meeting of the citizens of "Carson Valley," one was convened on the evening of Nov 12th 1851 - to consider the necessity of providing for the survey of claims and the subdivision of the valley So as to secure each individual in their rights to land taken up and improved by them, to agree upon a petition to Congress for a distinct territorial government, the creation of publick officers for the valley and the adoption of by-laws and fixed regulations to govern the community Proceeding of meeting Nov 12,th 1851

Col. A. Woodward chosen Chairman, E.L. Barnard Secretary

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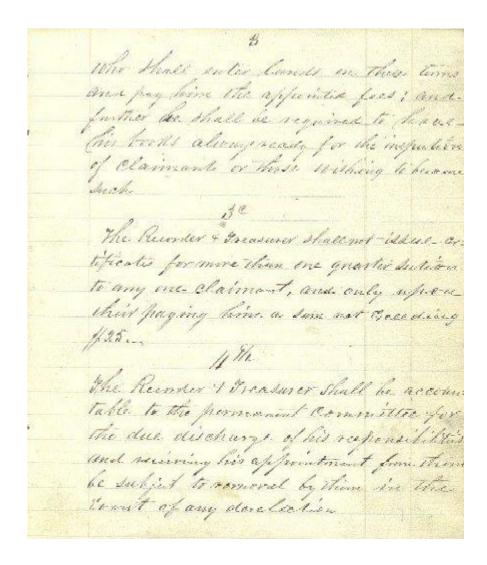
The following resolutions were then submitted for consideration and adopted by general consent viz

Resolved 1st

That touching land claims and other matters, the following shall stand as rules to govern this community (that is to say). There shall be a competent Surveyor employed, whose buisness it shall be to survey and platt the various claims according to the legal standard of the United States

2nd

There shall be a Recorder and Treasurer appointed, whose buisness it shall be to record the claims of individuals (in books supplied for that purpose) to receive and account for all fees paid in by persons laying claims, and issue certificate of claim on demand to those



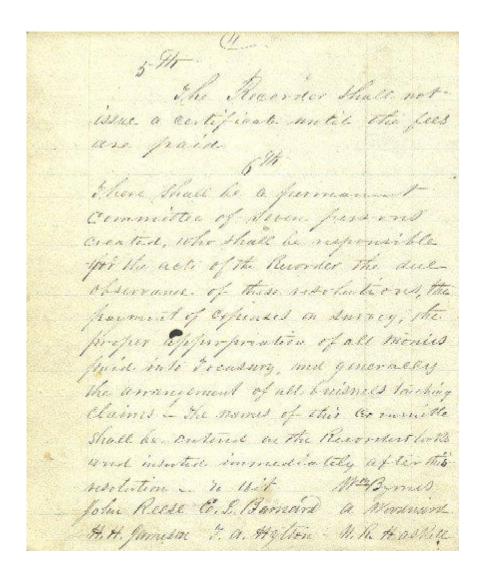
who shall enter lands on these terms and pay him the appointed fees: and further he shall be required to have his books always ready for the inspection of claimants or those wishing to become such

3rd

The Recorder & Treasurer shall not issue certificates for more than one quarter section to any one claimant, and only upon their paying him a sum not exceeding \$25-

4th

The Recorder & Treasurer shall be accountable to the permanent committee for the due discharge of his responsibilities, and receiving his appointment from them, be subject to removal by them in the event of any derelection



5th

The Recorder shall not issue a certificate until the fees are paid

6th

There shall be a permanent committee of Seven persons created, who shall be responsible for the acts of the Recorder the due observance of these resolutions, the payment of expenses on survey, the proper appropriation of all monies paid into Treasury, and generally the arrangement of all business touching claims - The names of this committee shall be entered on the Recorder's books and inserted immediately after this resolution - to wit Wm Byrnes John Reese E.L. Barnard A. Woodward H.H. Jameson T.A. Hylton N.R. Haskell

The following committee was there apprinted to remarder the foregoing and propure new resolutions for the Consideration of a fection meeting to be commend on the 19th hat it arrange further, comming matters tomaking the Welf were of the Communicity a futition to Congress was then read und approved and an adjournment brelesed to the 19th Rames of Committee of five Middes fet Rocke f. A Barnard .. Win Byrne B. Lornis A. H. James on Meeting at ir denil correred -John Ruse - Chraw Chairman I an Hything Lunday, The 10th of 11th lise.

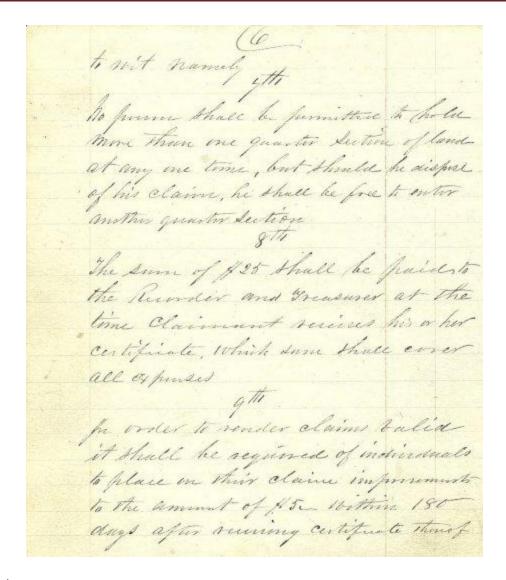
The following committee was then appointed to reconsider the foregoing and prepare new resolutions for the consideration of a future meeting to be convened on the 19th inst: to arrange further, concerning matters touching the welfare of the community

A petition to Congress was then read and approved, and an adjournment ordered to the 19th Names of committee of five Messrs John Reese J.P. Barnard Wm. Byrne B. Loomis H.H. Jameson

Nov 19 1851

Meeting as ordered convened John Reese chosen chairman T.A. Hylton Secretary

The 7th 8th 9th 10th and 11th resolutions submitted and passed



to wit namely

7th

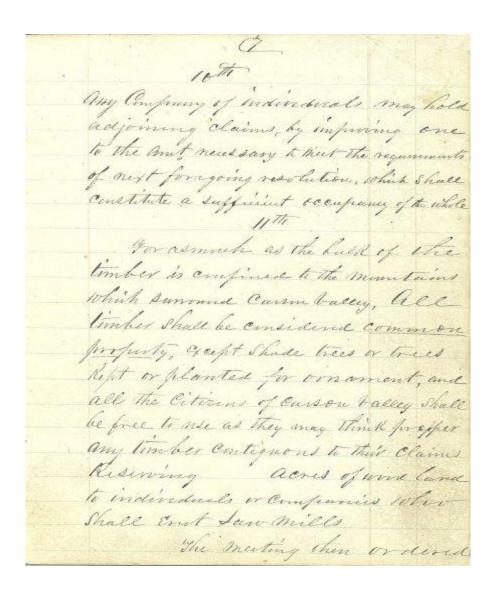
No person shall be permitted to hold more than one quarter section of land at any one time, but should he dispose of his claim, he shall be free to enter another quarter section

8th

The sum of \$25 shall be paid to the Recorder and Treasurer at the time claimant receives his or her certificate, which sum shall cover all expenses

9th

In order to render claims valid it shall be required of individuals to place on their claim improvements to the amount of \$5 - within 180 days after receiving certificate thereof



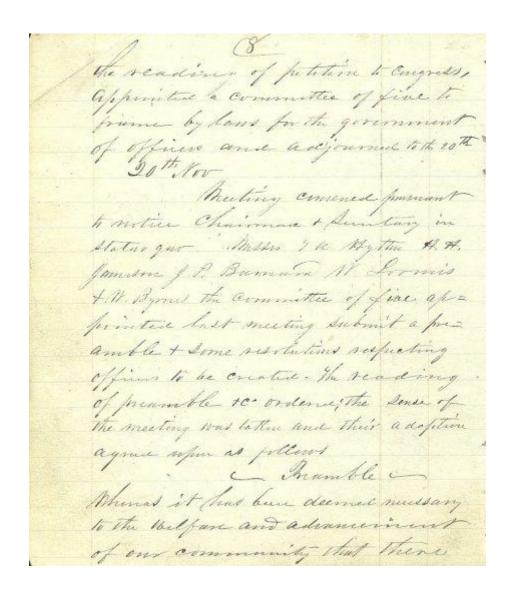
10th

Any company of individuals may hold adjoining claims, by improving one to the amt necessary to meet the requirements of next foregoing resolution, which shall constitute a sufficient occupancy of the whole

11th

For asmuch as the bulk of the timber is confined to the mountains which surround Carson Valley, All timber shall be considered <u>common property</u>, except shade trees or trees kept or planted for ornament, and all the citizens of Carson Valley shall be free to use as they may think propper any timber contiguous to their claims reserving [left blank in original] acres of wood land to individuals or companies who shall erect saw mills

The meeting then ordered



the reading of petition to Congress, appointed a committee of five to frame by laws for the government of officers and adjourned to the 20th

20th Nov

Meeting commenced pursuant to notice Chairman & Secretary in status quo Messs T.A. Hylton H.H. Jameson J.P. Bernard W. Loomis & W. Byrnes the committee of five appointed last meeting submit a preamble & some resolutions respecting offices to be created. The reading of preamble etc ordered; the sense of the meeting was taken and their adoption agreed upon as follows

-Preamble-

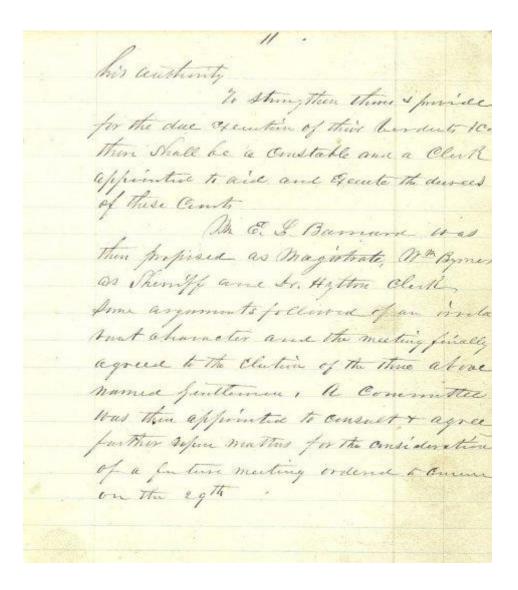
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should be some fixed rules of right agreed upon & established for its government & the protection of citizens in the all their privileges which each and all jointly agreed and as their allodial due, and whereas it is always requisite to appoint officers whose duty it is to enforce law & maintain order It is agreed that there be certain officers Elected from among our community, to wit a Justice of the peace, a clerk of the court, & a Sheriff, and these functionaries shall be required to Exercise & Enforce law according to the acknowledged rules of equity which govern all civilized communities The shall be four Individuals associated with the Justice himself making the fifth in forming a court, and he shall be empowered

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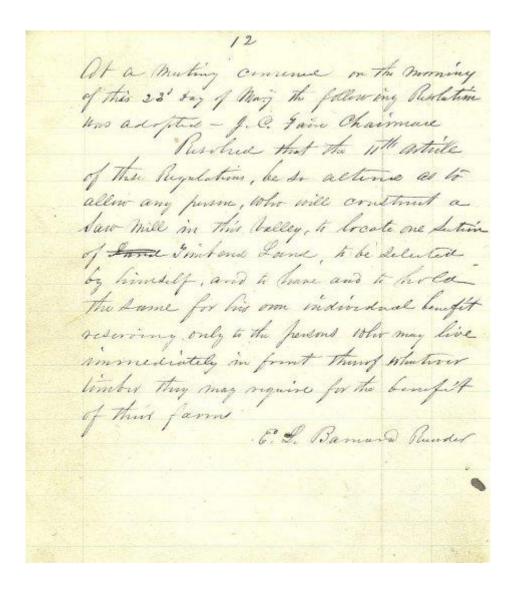
to summon any four whenever occasion may require it, to take cognizance & adjudicate summarily in all cases of controversy debts or offences against the publick weal, and to enforce fines or other sufficient penalties upon offenders; to issue warrants & authorize arrests, But to provide against the abuse of these powers, citizens & others Shall have the right of appeal to a court of twelve citizens, summoned promiscously, who shall constitute a court of enquiry from whose decisions there shall be no apeal, scrutinize & reverse, if necessary, the decrees of the Magistrates court, and who shall have power to remove the magistrate or impose upon him any other just penalty in the event of the abusive exercise of



his authority

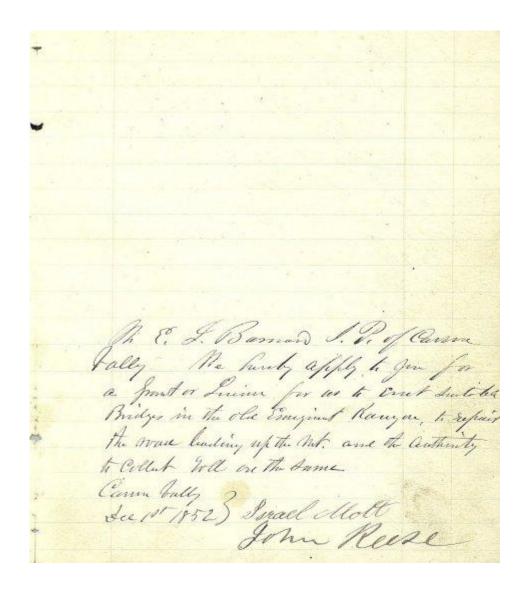
To strengthen these & provide for the due execution of their benefits etc. there shall be a constable and a clerk appointed to aid and execute the decrees of these courts

Mr. E.L. Barnard was then proposed as magistrate, Wm Byrnes as Sherriff and Dr. Hylton clerk some arguments followed of an irrelavant character and the meeting finally agreed to the election of the three above named gentlemen. A committee was then appointed to consult & agree further upon matters for the consideration of a future meeting ordered to commence on the 29th



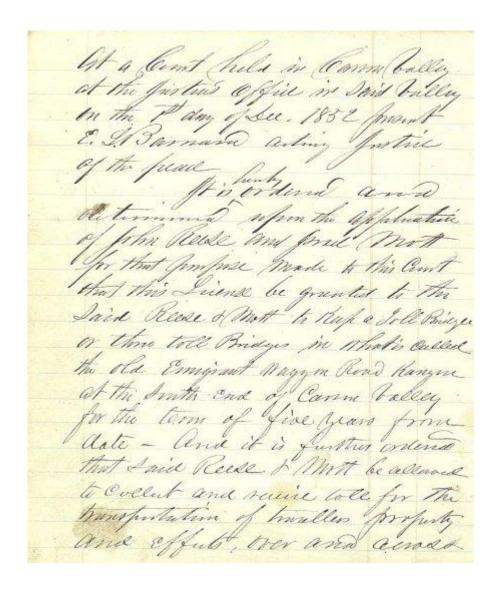
At a meeting commenced on the morning of this 23rd day of May the following Resolution was adopted - J.C. Fain Chairman

Resolved that the 11th article of these Regulations, be so altered as to allow any person, who will construct a Saw Mill in the Valley, to locate one section of land Timbered Land, to be selected by himself, and to have and to hold the same for his own individual benefit reserving only to the persons who may live immediately in front thereof whatever timber they may require for the benefit of their farms E.L. Barnard Recorder



Mr. E.L. Barnard J.P. of Carson Valley We hereby apply to you for a permit or license for us to erect suitable Bridges in the old Emigrant Kanyon, to repair the road leading up the mt. and the authority to collect toll on the same

Carson Valley}
Dec 1st 1852} Israel Mott
John Reese



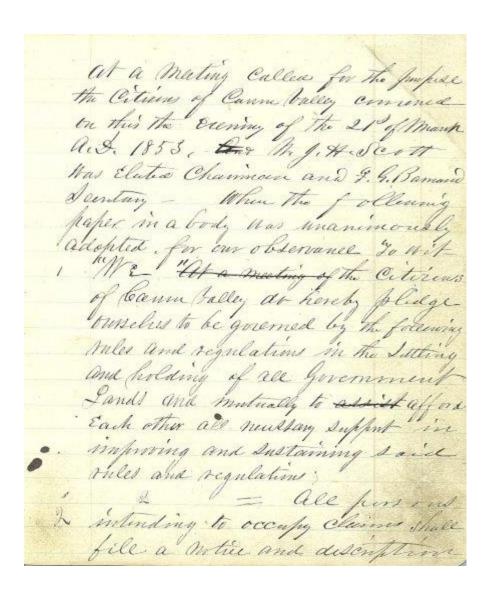
At a Court held in Carson Valley at the Justice's office in said Valley on the 1st day of Dec. 1852 present E.L. Bernard acting Justice of the peace

It is hereby ordered and determined upon the application of John Reese and Israel Mott for that purpose made to this court that this License be granted to the said Reese & Mott to keep a Toll Bridge or three toll Bridges in what is called the old Emigrant Waggon Road Kanyon at the South end of Carson Valley for the term of five years from date - And it is further ordered that said Reese & Mott be allowed to collect and raise toll for the transportation of travellers property and effects, over and across

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said Bridge at and after the following rates vis, one dollar for each and every waggon, ten cents a head for Horned Cattle two & 1/2 cents a head for Sheep and twenty five cents a head for horses & Mules (packed or light) and that they shall not take or require any greater sum for such transportation

It is also ordered that said Reese & Mott, expend or cause to be expended the sum of One Thousand Dollars on said road and said Bridge & Road leading from Carson Valley to the top of the first sumit, said amt. of money to be expended between this and the first of July next E.L. Bernard J.P.



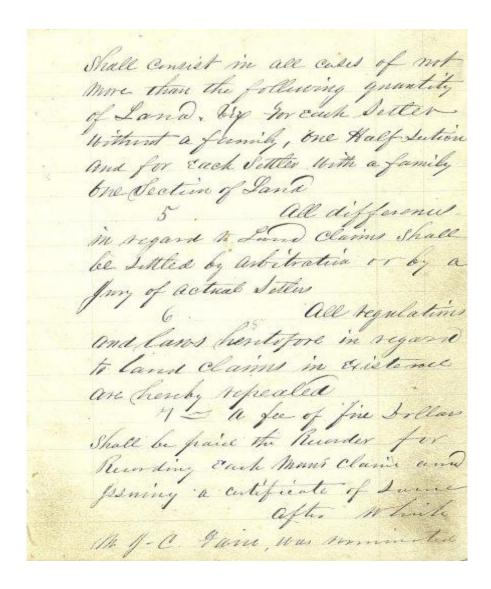
At a meeting called for the purpose the citizens of Carson Valley commenced on this the evening of the 21s of March A.D. 1853. And Mr. J.H. Scott was elected Chairman and F.G. Barnard Secretary - When the following paper in a body was unanimously adopted for our observance to wit –

- 1 "We At a meeting of the Citizens of Carson Valley do hereby pledge ourselves to be governed by the following rules and regulations in the settling and holding of all Government Lands and mutually to assist afford each other all necessary support in improving and sustaining said rules and organizations
- 2 All persons intending to occupy claims shall file a notice and description

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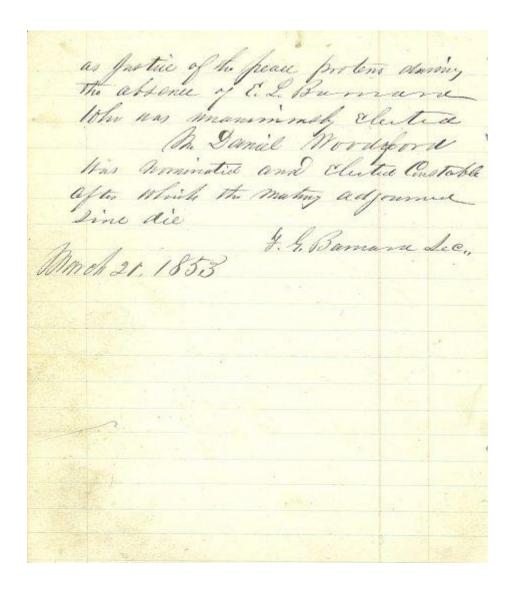
3 Within sixty days after filing said notice and description = improvements to the amount of one Hundred Dollars, shall be put on each claim, otherwise all rights of occupancy shall be lost - But parties of a firm who are actual settlers and farming and transacting business in company, may hold a claim for each partner by placing noteable improvements on one or more claims Occupancy in all cases shall be necessary to the holding of claims, either in person or by agent, and an absence of both principal and agent for more than thirty days, shall be considered an abandonment & Claims



shall consist in all cases of not more than the following quantity of Land, viz for each setler without a family, one Half Section and for each Settler with a family one Section of Land

- 5 All differences in regard to Land claims shall be settled by arbitration or by a jury of actual Setlers
- 6 All regulations and laws heretofore in regard to land claims in existence are hereby repealed
- 7 = A fee of five dollars shall be paid the Recorder for Recording each man's claim and issuing a certificate of same

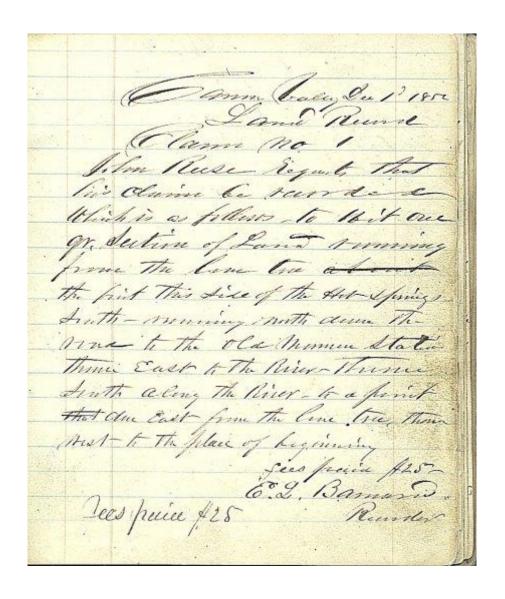
After which Mr. J.C. Fain, was nominated



as Justice of the peace protem during the absence of E.L. Barnard who was unanimously elected

Mr. Daniel Woodford was nominated and elected Constable after which the meeting adjourned sine die F.G. Barnard Sec..

March 21, 1853



Carson Valley Dec 1st 1852

Land Record

Claim no 1

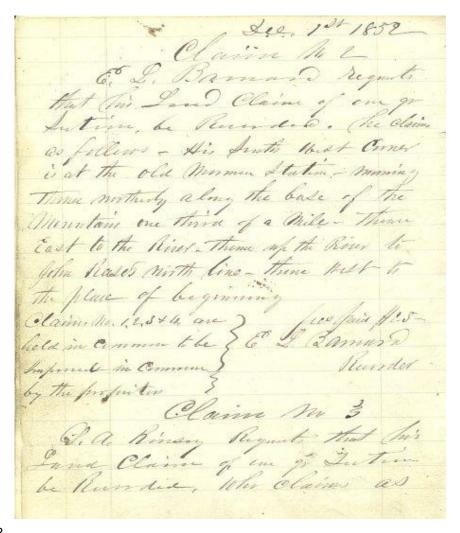
John Reese requests that his claim be recorded which is as follows, to Wit one qr. Section of Land running from the lone tree about the first this side of the Hot Springs South - running north down the road to the old Mormon Station- thence east to the River thence South along the River-to a point that due east from the lone tree, thence west to the place of beginning

Fees paid \$25

E.L. Barnard

Recorder

Fees paid \$25



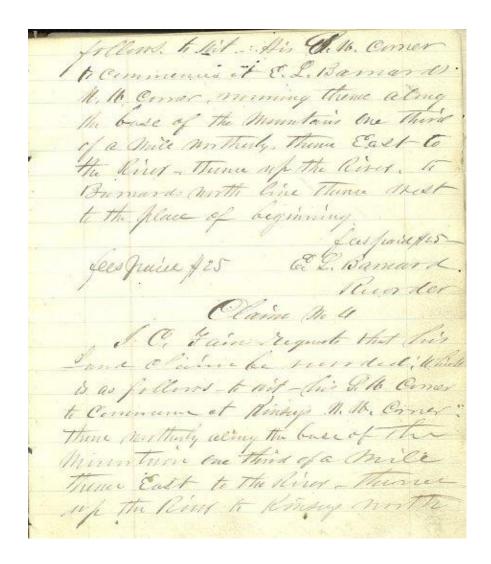
Dec. 1st 1852 Claim No 2

E.L. Barnard requests that his Land Claim of one qr Section be Recorded. The claim as follows - His South west corner is at the old Mormon Station-running thence northerly along the base of the mountain one third of a mile - thence East to the River- thence up the River to John Reese' north line - thence West to the place of beginning

Claims No. 1, 2, 3, & 4 are} fees paid \$25 held in common to be} E.L. Barnard improved in common} Recorder by the propriters}

Claim no 3

S.A. Kinsey Requests that his Land Claim of one qr Section be Recorded, the claim as



follows, to wit: His [s.w.] corner to commence at E.L. Barnards n.w. corner, running thence along the base of the mountains one third of a mile northerly, thence East to the River - thence up the River to Barnards north line thence west to the place of beginning

Fees paid \$25

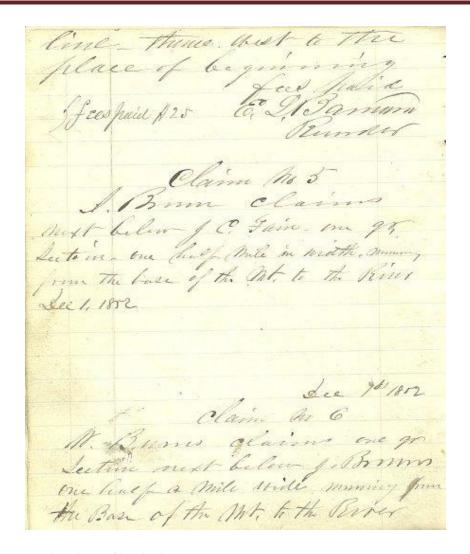
E.L. Barnard,

Recorder

Fees paid \$25

Claim No 4

J.C. Fain requests that his Land claim be recorded: which is as follows - to wit - his S.W. corner to commence at Kinseys N.W. Corner: thence northerly along the base of the mountain one third of a mile thence East to the River - thence up the River to Kinseys north



line - thence west to the place of beginning

Fees Paid

E.L. Barnard

Recorder

Fees paid \$25

Claim No 5

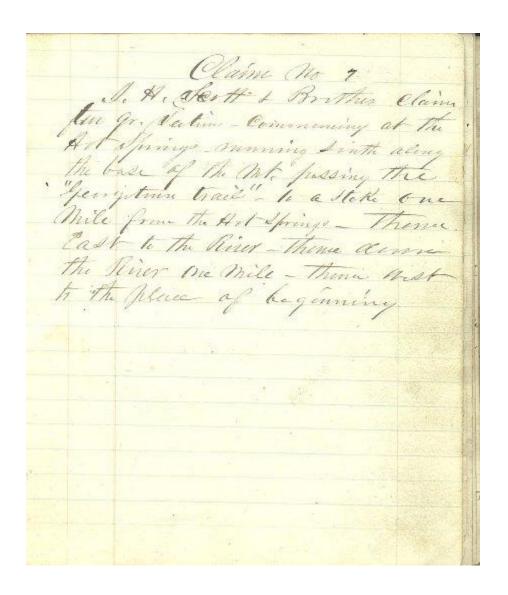
J. Brown claims next below J.C. Fain-one qr section, one half mile in width. running from the base of the Mt. to the River

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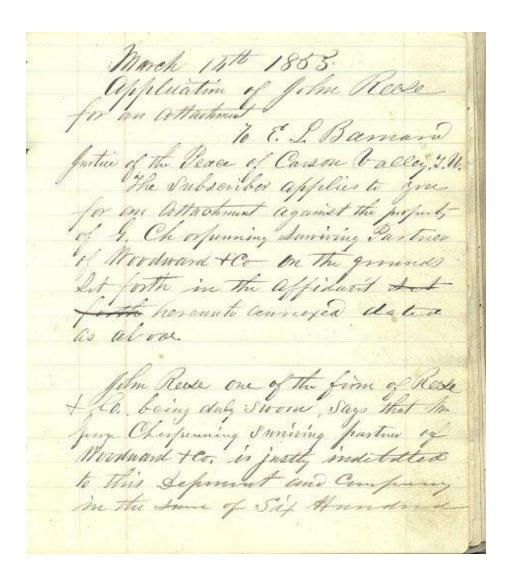
Claim No 6

W. Burns claims one qr Section next below J. Browns one half a mile wide running from the Base of the Mt. to the River



Claim No 7

J.H. Scott and Brother claim ten qr sections - commencing at the Hot Springs running south along the base of the Mt. passing the "Georgetown trail" - to a stake one mile from the Hot Springs - thence East to the River - thence down the River one mile - thence west to the place of beginning



March 14th 1853

Application of John Reese for an attachment

To E.L. Barnard Justice of the Peace of Carson Valley, T.U.

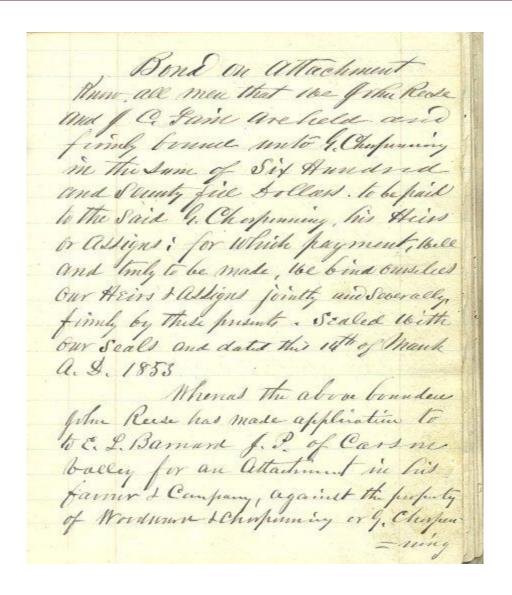
The subscriber applies to you for an attachment against the property of G. Chorpenning Surviving Partner of Woodward & Co on the grounds set forth in the affidavit set forth hereunto annexed dated as above

John Reese one of the firm of Reese & Co. being duly sworn, says that Mr. George Chorpenning surviving partner of Woodward & Co. is justly indebtted to this deponent and company in the sum of Six Hundred

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and Seventy five Dollars, over and above all discounts which the said Woodward & Co. or Chorpenning have or has against him or company as near as he can ascertain the same, which debt arose from funds and supplies furnished for them in transporting the mail from Salt Lake to Sacramento and back and that the said Chorpenning has departed from this Valley and from California with intent to defraud his creditors, And this Defendant further says, that unless he attaches the property now here he is afraid that he will forever lose the chance of collecting his demand

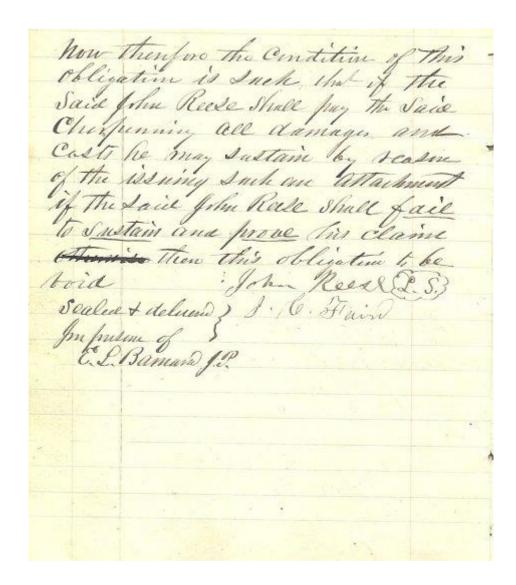
Sworn to before me March 14 1853
E.L. Barnard}
Justice of the Peace}



Bond on Attachment

Know all men that we John Reese and J.C. Fain are held and firmly bound unto G. Chorpenning in the sum of Six Hundred and Seventy five Dollars, to be paid to the said G. Chorpenning, his heirs or assigns: for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves our Heirs & Assigns jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 14th of March A.D. 1853

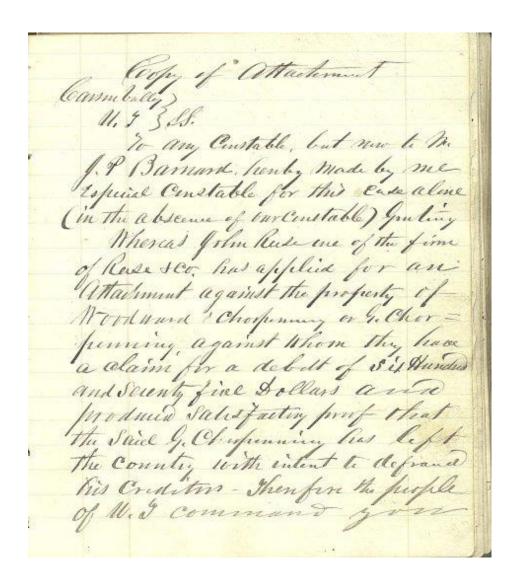
Whereas the above Bonnderr John Reese has made application to E.L. Barnard J.P. of Carson Valley for an attachment in his favor & company, against the property of Woodward & Chorpenning or G. Chorpenning



now therefore the condition of this obligation is such that if the said John Reese shall pay the said Chorpenning all damages and costs he may sustain by reason of the issuing such an attachment if the said John Reese shall <u>fail</u> to <u>sustain</u> and <u>prove</u> his claims Otherwise then this obligation to be void John Reese L.S. Sealed & delivered} J.C. Fain

In presence of }

E.L. Barnard J.P.



Copy of Attachment Carson Valley} U.T. } SS

To any Constable, but now to Mr. J.P. Barnard, hereby made by me Especial Constable for this case alone (in the abscence of our constable) Greeting

Whereas John Reese one of the firm of Reese & Co. has applied for an attachment against the property of Woodward & Chorpenning or G. Chorpenning, against whom they have a claim for a debt of Six Hundred and Seventy five Dollars and produced satisfactory proof that the said G. Chorpenning has left the country with intent to defraud his creditors - Therefore the people of U.T. command you

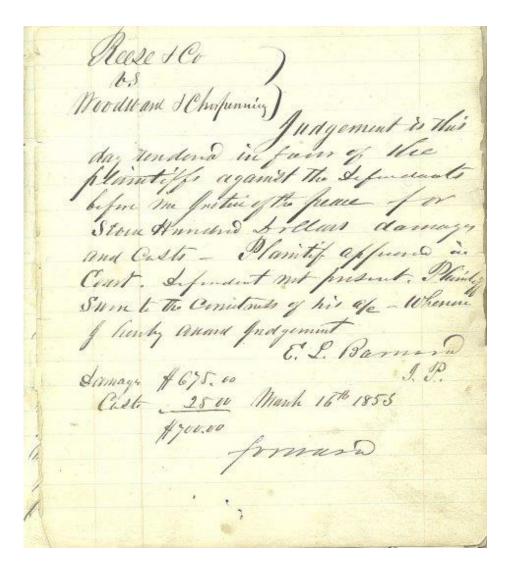
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to attach so much of the goods and chattels of the said Lands and Houses of the said Woodward & Chorpenning or Chorpenning as will be sufficient to satisfy the said claim, and safely to Keep the same, to satisfy any Judgement that may be received on this attachment and that you make your return of your proceedings therein to me on the 16th day of March at 2 o.clock P.M. at my office, dated March 14th 1853

Copy of Returns } E.L. Barnard J.P.

Constable

I have levied on four mules; one anvil two fire tongs, one broken vice: two hammers: one cold chisel one bellows: one sledge: one compuss, chain and surveying instruments, also all their claim to the old Mormon Station and one Revolver Signed J.P. Barnard



Reese & Co)

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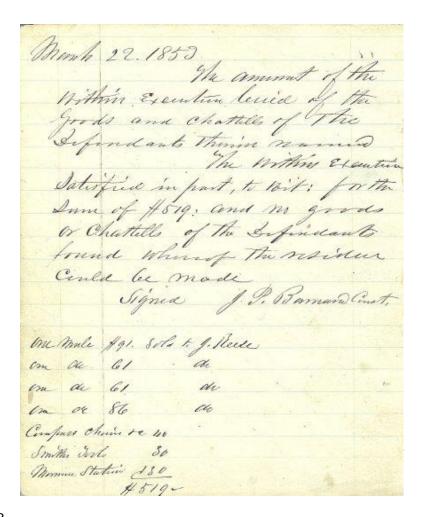
Woodward & Chorpenning)

Judgement is this day rendered in favor of the plaintiffs against the defendants before me Justice of the Peace for Seven Hundred Dollars damages and costs - Plaintif appeared in Court. Defendant not present. Plaintiff swore to the correctness of his a/c - whereas I hereby award judgement E.L. Barnard J.P.

Damages \$675.00

Costs 25.00 March 16 1853 \$700.00

Forward



March 22, 1853

Tha amount of the within execution levied of the goods and chattels of the defendants therein named

The within execution Satisfied in part, to wit: for the sum of \$519 and no goods or chattels of the defendants found whereof the residue could be made Signed J.P. Barnard Const.

One mule \$91. Sold to J. Reese

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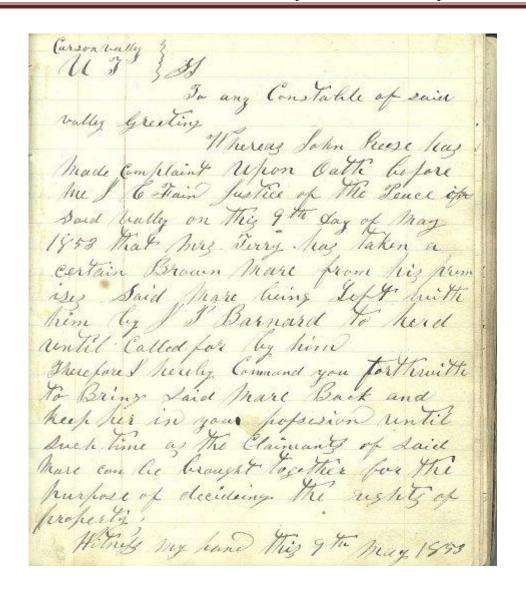
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Compass chain etc 40

Smith tools 30

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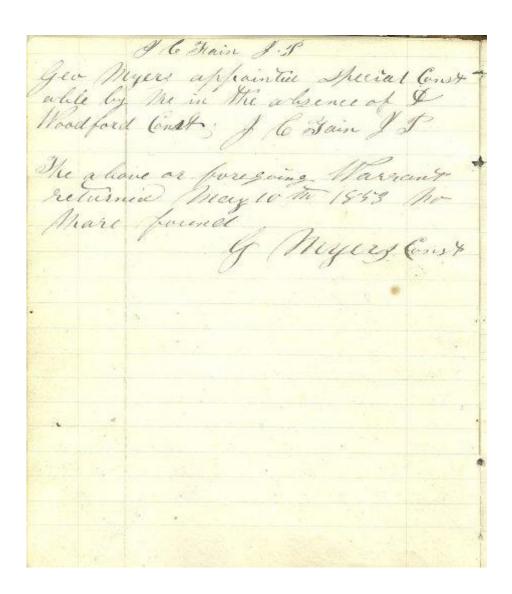


Carson Valley}
U.T. } SS

To any Constable of said valley Greeting

Whereas John Reese has made complaint upon oath before me J.C. Fain Justice of the Peace of said valley on this 9th day of May 1853 that Mrs. Terry has taken a certain Brown Mare from his Premises Said Mare being Left with him by J.P. Barnard to herd until called for by him

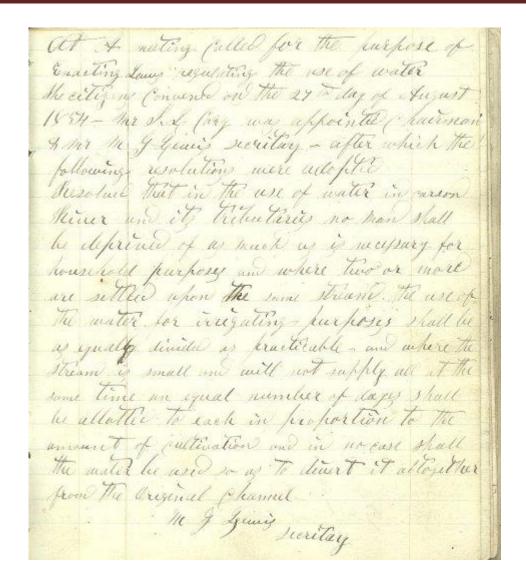
Therefore I hereby Command you forthwith to Bring said Mare Back and keep her in your possession until such time as the Claimants of said mare can be brought together for the purpose of deciding the rights of property; Witness my hand this 9th May 1853



J.C. Fain J.P.

Geo Myers appointed Special Constable by me in the absence of D. Woodford Const; J.C Fain J.P.

The above or foregoing Warrant returned May 10th 1853 No Mare found G. Myers Const

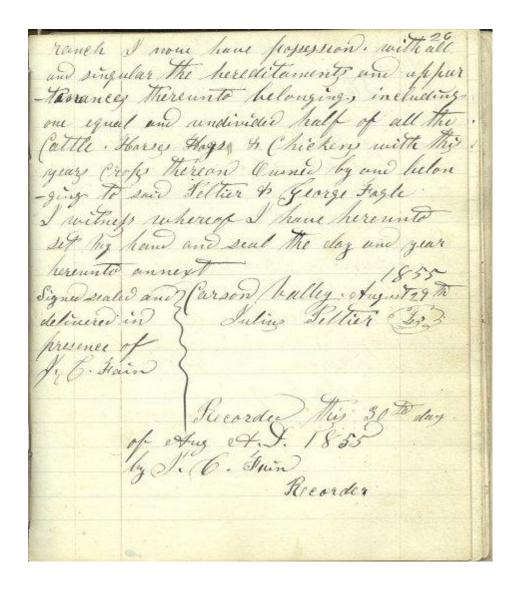


At a meeting called for the purpose of Enacting Laws regulating the use of water The citizens convened on the 27th day of August 1854 - Mr. J.L. Cary was appointed Chairman & Mr. M. G. Lewis secretary - after which the following resolutions were adopted

Resolved that in the use of water in carson River and its Tributaries no man shall be deprived of as much as is necesssary for household purposes and where two or more are settled upon the same stream the use of the water for irrigating purposes shall be as equally divided as practicable - and where the stream is small and will not supply all at the same time an equal number of days shall be allotted to each in proportion to the amount of cultivation and in no case shall the water be used so as to divert it altogether from the original channel

M.G. Lewis Secretary 26 whereal

Know all men by these presents that I Julius Peltier of Carson Valley Utah Territory in consideration of the sum of One Thousand dollars to me in hand Paid by R.D. Sides, J.M. Baldwin & L.B. Abernathie of the aforesaid valley & territory, the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge have bargained sold and quit claimed and by these presents do bargain sell and quit claim unto the said R.D. Sides J.M. Baldwin L.B. Abernathie and their heirs and assigns forever all my right title interest estate claim and domain both at law and in equity and as well in possession as in expectancy, of in and to one equal and undivided half of that certain piece or parcel of land situated in Jacks Valley being and known as the ranch claimed and located by Samuel Blackford of which



ranch I now have possession, with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtances thereunto belonging, including one equal and undivided half of all the Cattle, Horses, Hogs, & Chickens with this years crops thereon owned by and belonging to said Peltier & George Fogle

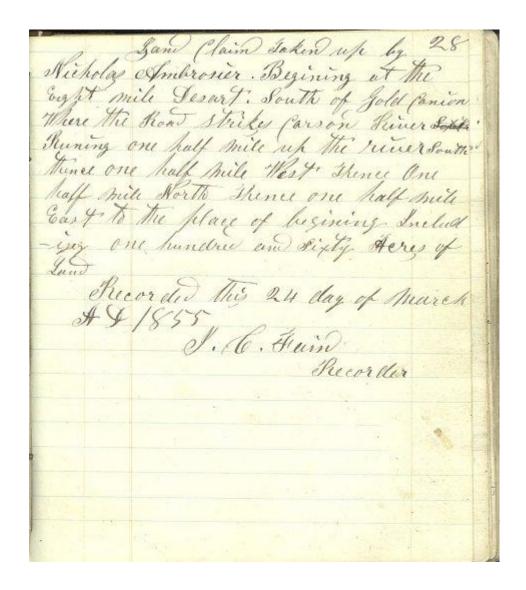
I witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year hereunto annext

Signed sealed and Carson Valley August 29th 1855 delivered in Julius Peltier SS presence of J.C. Fain Recorded this 30th day of Aug A.D. 1855 by J.C. Fain Recorder

Boundary of land taken up by Wm. P. Allen & E.A. Parkerson Beginning at a stake on the slue on the East side of Carson river - East Fork Running a South East Direction two miles Said line passing near the easterly side of the Large Grove of Cottonwoods on said claim Thence running a south west direction three fourths of a mile, Thence running North west Two miles parallel with the first line, Thence North East to the place of Beginning

March 12th A.D. 1855

J.C. Fain



Land claim Taken up by Nicholas Ambrosier. Begining at the Eight mile Desert- South of Gold Canion Where the road strikes Carson River South Running one half mile up the river south thence one half mile West Thence one half mile North Thence one half mile East to the place of begining Including one hundred and sixty Acres of land

Recorded this 24 day of March A.D. 1855

J.C. Fain

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Survey of Land Taken up by J.H. Scott & Charls Furgerson begining at the South West corner of Land taken up by Howard & Singleton Runing thence north 55° East one mile to a cedar stake at the south east corner of said Howard & Singletons Land thence south 35° East two miles to a cedar state thence south 55° West to a cedar stake standing on the Town Line thence north 35° West two miles to the place of begining according to A Survey & plan made & Returned to the Clerk's office in Carson Valley March 28th 1853 by James H. Haynes

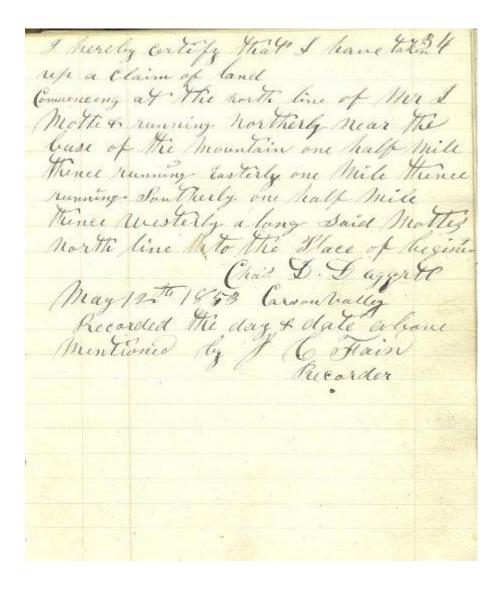
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Survey of land taken up by Thomas Knott and Elzy H. Knott begining at A cedar stake standing on the town line seven miles from the north west corner of said township [No one] thence runing north 55 ° east one mile to a cedar stake thence south 35 ° East one mile to A cedar stake thence South 55 ° West one mile to a cedar stake standing on the Town line thence north 35 ° West one mile along said line to the place of begining according to a plan & survey of said town made & Returned to the Clerks Office in Carson Valley

March 28th 1853 by J.H. Haynes surveyor Recorded Aprile 11th 1853 by J.C. Fain Recorder



I hereby certify that I have taken up a claim of land

Commencing at the north line of Mr. I Motts & running northerly near the base of the mountain one half mile thence running Easterly one mile thence running Southerly one half mile thence westerly a long said Motte's north line to the place of beginning

Chas. D. Daggett

May 12th 1853 Carson Valley

Recorded the day & date above mentioned by J.C. Fain

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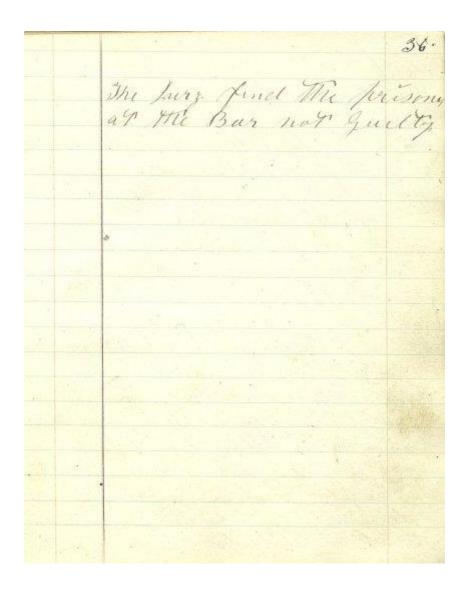
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Survey of land taken up in Carson Valley by Leonard M. Young & James Green Commencing at the Edg of the Sage Brush Bordering on the mountain on the South Line of Land taken up by Haynes & Barney runing thence north 55° East one mile to A stake standing on the said Haynes & Barneys south line thence South 35° East one mile to A stake standing on the valley thence South 55° west one mile to A stake standing in the Sage Brush thence North 35° West to the place of begining as Surveyed July 22nd 1853 by J.H. Haynes

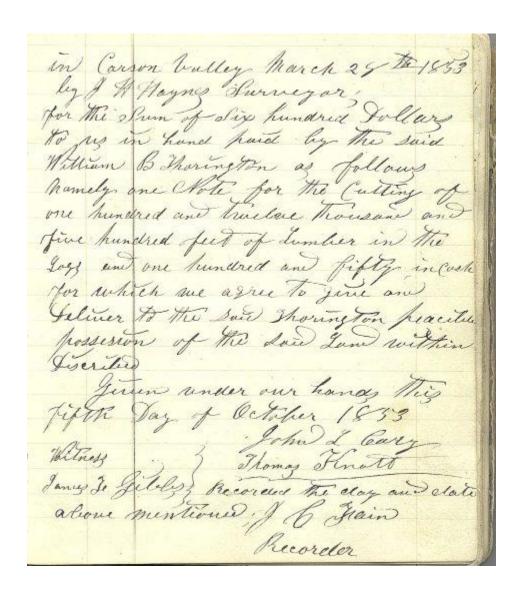
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J.C. Fain Recorder
By J.H. Haynes



The jury find the prisoner at the bar not guilty

37 Know all men by these presents that I John L (ary and Thomas King the have this day Bur gained and sold William Bo Thorington all follows to wit homely, treginingst and Josephel By a Certificate of Survey Hazns sherveyor in Soil / ommencing North west Corner One Mile to a ceder stake thence outs East one Mile to a Ceder stake . Thence . 550 west one mile to a cedar de anding on The town line North and mile along said tou The place of begining according

Know all men by these presents that I John L. Cary and Thomas Knott have this day Bargained and sold William B Thorington all of a piece or parcel of Land situated as follows to wit; namely, Begining Known and Described By a certificate of Survey By J.H. Hayns surveyor in said valley as follows to wit; Commencing at a stake standing on the town line seven miles from the North west corner of said township No one thence running north 55 ° East one mile to a cedar stake thence South 35 ° East one mile to a cedar stake. thence South 55 ° West one mile to a cedar stake Standing on the town line North 35 ° west one mile along said town Line to the place of begining according to a plat and survey of said town made and Returned to the Clerks office



in Carson Valley March 28th 1853 by J.H. Haynes Surveyor;

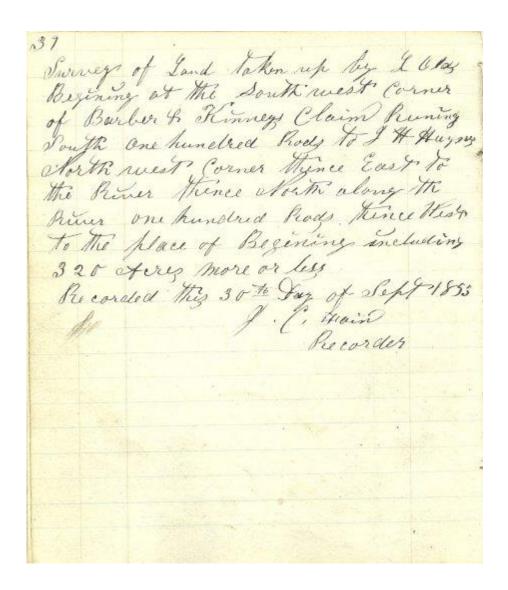
for the sum of Six hundred Dollars to us in hand paid by the said William B. Thorington as follows namely one Note for the Cutting of one hundred and twelve thousand and five hundred feet of Lumber in the logs and one hundred and fifty in cash for which we agree to give and Deliver to the said Thorington peaceble possession of the said Land within Described

Given under our hands this fifth day of October 1853

Witness } John L. Cary

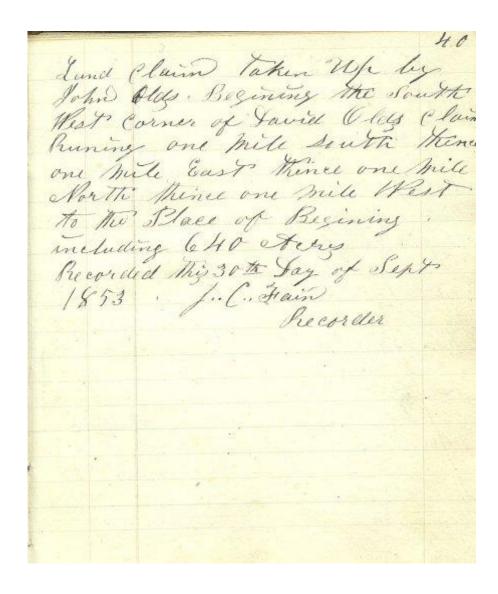
James J. Gibbs} Thomas Knott

Recorded the day and date above mentioned; J.C. Fain



Survey of Land taken up by J Olds Begining at the south West corner of Barber & Kinneys Claim Runing South one hundred Rods to J.H. Haynes North west Corner thence East to the River thence North along the River one hundred Rods thence West to the place of begining including 320 Acres more or less Recorded this 30th Day of Sept 1853

J.C. Fain



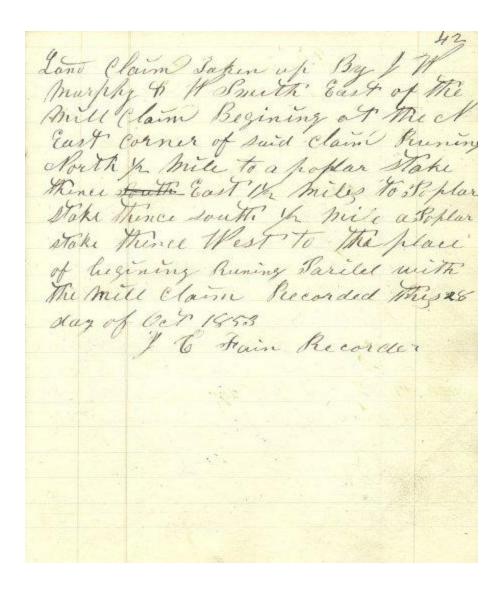
Land claim taken up by John Olds. Begining the south West corner of David Olds claim Runing one mile south thence one mile East thence one mile North thence one mile West to the Place of Begining including 640 Acres

Recorded this 30th day of Sept. 1853

J.C. Fain

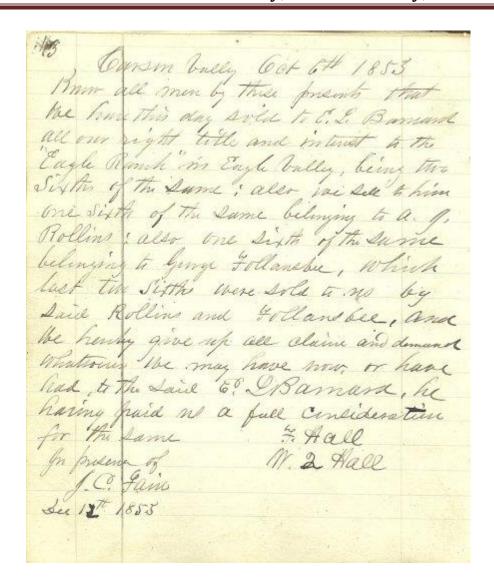
Survey of land taken up by R.T. Hawkins in Jacks Valley begining at A pine stake standing on the North South side of the Road leading to the head of said Valley Runing North 34° west 160 rods to a sedar stake thence North 56° East one mile to A sedar stake thence South 34° east 160 Rods to A sedar stake thence South 56° West one mile to the place of begining According to A survey made May 17th 1853 by J.H. Haynes, surveyor

Recorded the day and date above mentioned} J.C. Fain Recorder



Land claim taken up By J.W. Murphy & H. Smith East of the mill claim Begining at the N East corner of said claim Runing North ½ mile to a poplar stake thence south east 1 ½ miles to Poplar stake thence south 1/2 mile a Poplar stake thence West to the place of begining Runing Parilel with the mill claim Recorded this 28 day of Oct. 1853

J.C. Fain Recorder



Carson Valley Oct 6th 1853

Know all men by these presents that we have this day sold to E.L. Barnard all our right title and interest to the "Eagle Ranch" in Eagle Valley, being two sixths of the same: also we sell to him one sixth of the same belonging to A.J. Rollins: also one sixth of the same belonging to George Follanbee, which last two sixths were sold to us by said Rollins and Follansbee, and we hereby give up all claim and demand whatsoever we may have now, or have had, to the said E. L. Barnard, he having paid us a full consideration for the same

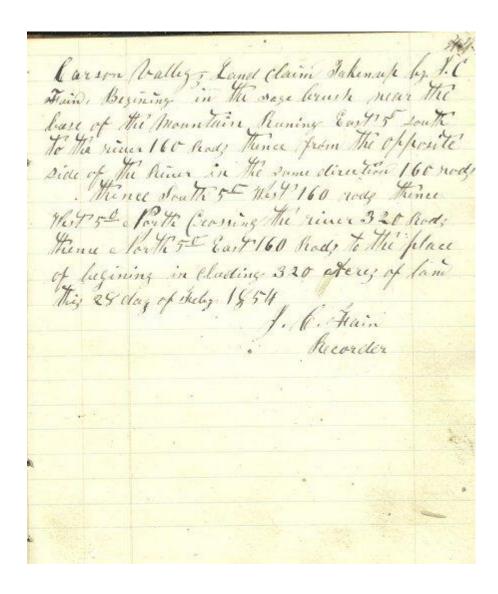
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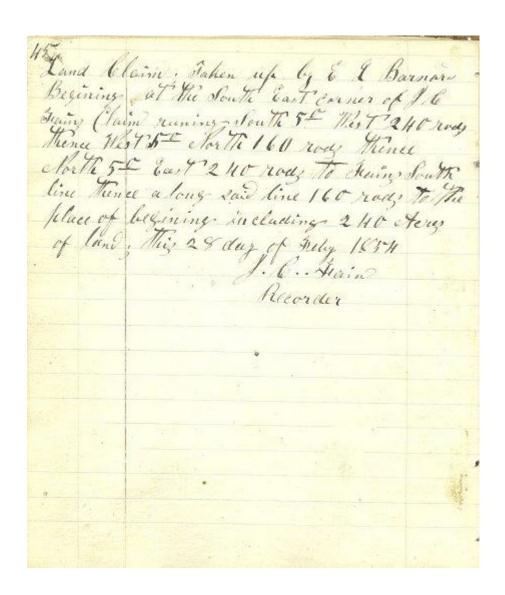
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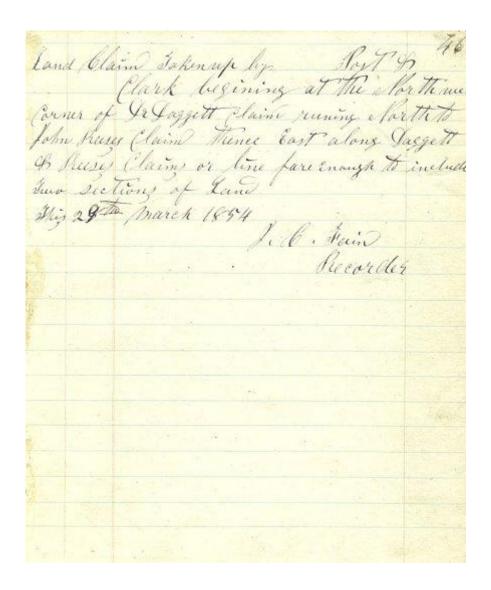
Carson Valley Land claim Taken up by J.C. Fain. Begining in the sage brush near the base of the mountain Runing East 5° south to the river 160 rods thence from the opposite side of the river in the same direction 160 rods thence South 5° West 160 rods thence West 5° North Crossing the river 320 rods thence North 5° East 160 rods to the place of begining including 320 acres of land this 28 day of Feby 1854

J.C. Fain



Land claim Taken up by E.L. Barnard Begining at the South East corner of J.C. Fains Claim runing South 5 ° West 240 rods thence West 5 ° North 160 rods thence North 5 ° East 240 rods to Fains South line thence along said line 160 rods to the place of begining including 240 acres of land; this 28 day of Feby 1854

J.C. Fain



Land claim taken up by Post & Clark begining at the North west corner of Dr Daggett claim runing North to John Reeses claim thence East along Daggett & Reeses claims or line far enough to include two sections of Land

This 29th March 1854

J.C. Fain

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Survey of Land taken up by R.D. Frost Beginning at the South west corner of "Eagle Ranch" runing parrallell with the base of the mountain, south & west one mile - thence east half a mile - thence north & east one mile thence west along the south line of Eagle Ranch to the place of beginning - to contain one half section of land more or less

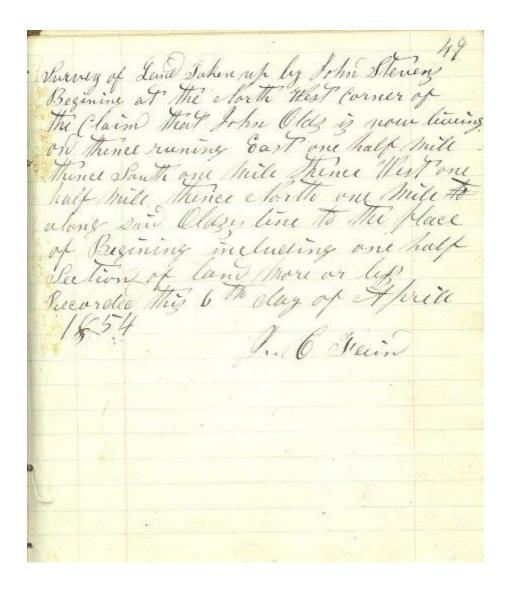
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J.C. Fain

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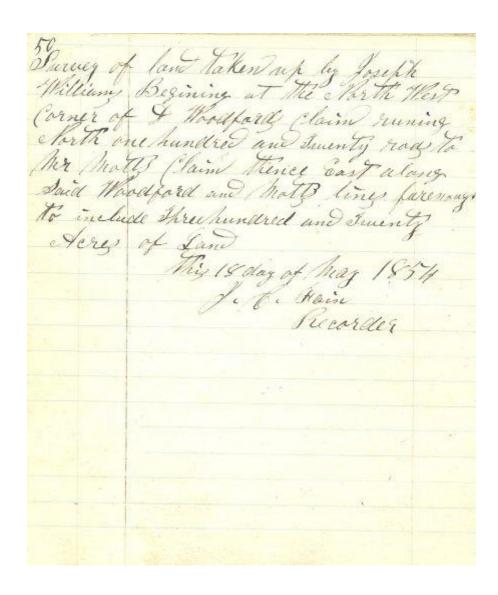
Survey of land taken up by Fred. Bishop begining at a stake mid way on R.D. Frosts East line - running from thence easterly one mile thence north half a mile - thence west one mile to the east line of Eagle Ranch -thence along said line to the place of beginning containing one half section of land more or less Recorded this 2nd day of April A.D. 1854

J.C. Fain



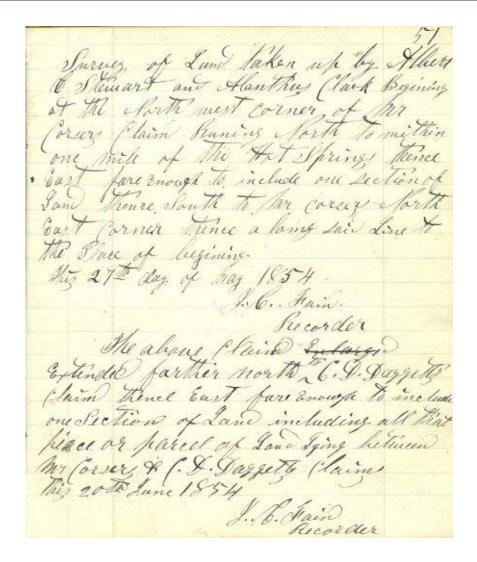
Survey of Land Taken up by John Stevens Begining at the North West corner of the claim that John Olds is now living on thence runing East one half mile thence South one mile thence West one half mile thence North one mile to along said Oldses line to the place of Begining including one half Section of land more or less

Recorded this 6th day of Aprile 1854 J.C. Fain



Survey of land taken up by Joseph Williams begining at the North West corner of D. Woodfords claim runing North one hundred and twenty rods to Mr. Motts Claim thence East along said Woodford and Motts lines farehough to include Three hundred and twenty Acres of Land this 18 day of May 1854

J.C. Fain



Survey of Land taken up by Albert C. Stewart and Alanthus Clark Begining at the North west corner of Mr. Corsers Claim Runing North to within one mile of the Hot Springs thence East fare enough to include one section of Land thence South to Mr. Corsers North East corner thence a long said Line to the Place of begining

This 27th day of May 1854

J.C. Fain

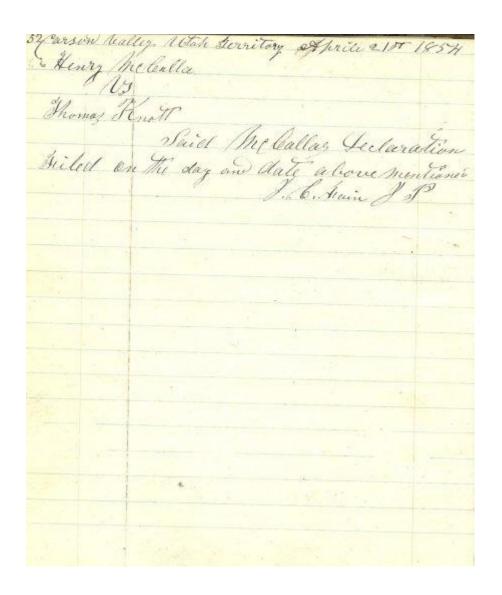
Recorder

The above claim Inlarged Extended farther north to C.D. Daggetts claim thence East fare enough to include one Section of Land including all that piece or parcel of Land Lying between Mr. Corser & C.D.

Daggetts Claims

This 20th June 1854

J.C. Fain

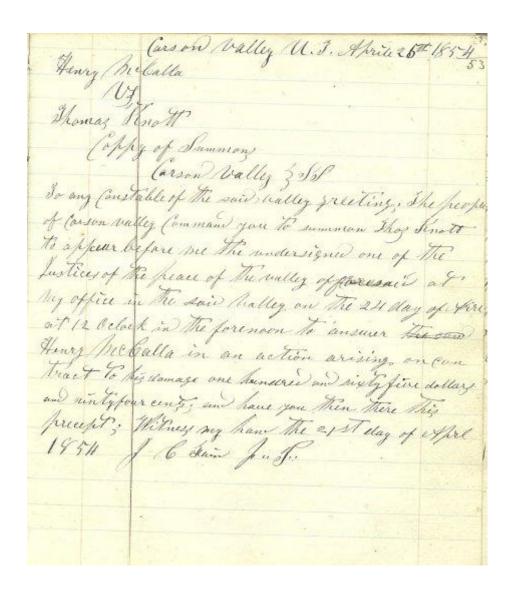


Carson Valley Utah Territory Aprile 21st 1854 Henry McCalla

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Thomas Knott

Said McCallas Declaration Filed on the day and date above mentioned J.C. Fain J.P.



Carson Valley U.T. Aprile 25th 1854

Henry McCalla

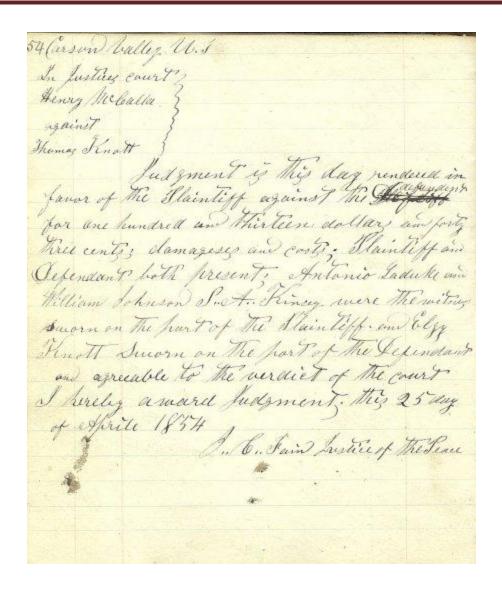
vs

Thomas Knott

Copy of Summons

Carson Valley SS

To any Constable of said valley greetings; The people of Carson Valley command you to summon Thos Knott to appear before me the undersigned one of the Justices of the peace of the valley of afforesaid at my office in the said valley on the 24 day of Aprl at 12 O clock in the forenoon to answer the com Henry McCalla in an action arising on contract to his damage one hundred and sixty five dollars and nintyfour cents; and have you then there this receipt; Witness my hand the 21st day of Aprl 1854 J.C. Fain J.P.



In Justice Court)

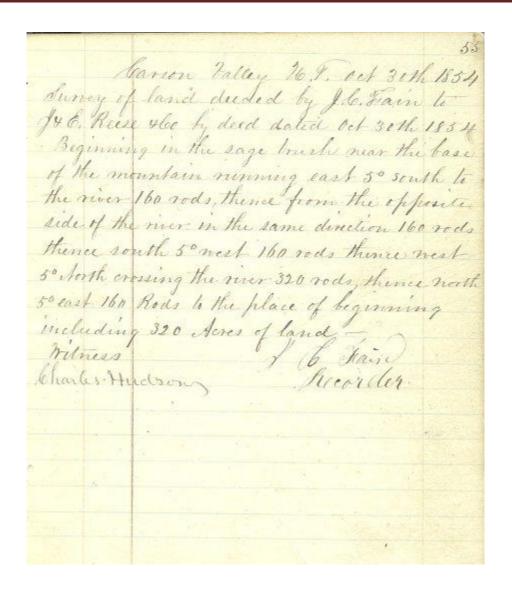
Henry McCalla}

Against}

Thomas Knott)

Judgment is this day rendered in favor of the Plaintiff against the defendant for one hundred and thirteen dollars and forty three cents; damages and costs; Plaintiff and Defendant both present; Antonio Laduke and William Johnson S.A. Kinsey were the witnesses sworn on the part of the Plaintiff and Elzy Knott sworn on the part of the Defendant and agreeable to the verdict of the court I hereby award Judgment; this 25 day of Aprile 1854

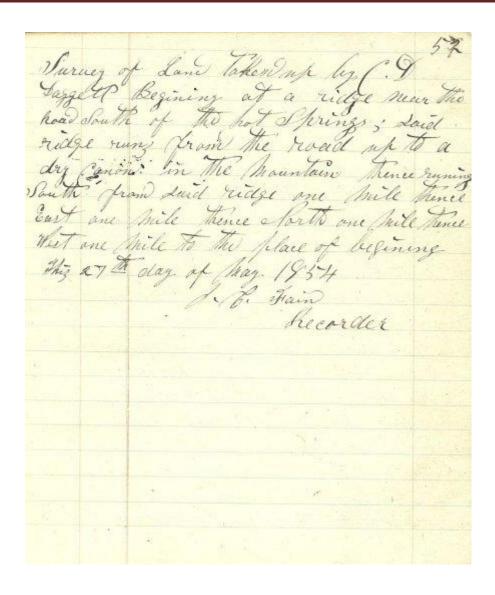
J.C. Fain Justice of the Peace



Carson Valley U.T. oct 30th 1854

Survey of land deeded by J.C. Fain to J & E. Reee & Co by deed dated Oct. 30th 1854 Beginning in the sage brush near the base of the mountain running east 5° south to the river 160 rods, thence from the opposite side of the river in the same direction 160 rods thence south 5° west 160 rods thence west 5° North crossing the river 320 rods, thence north 5° east 160 Rods to the place of beginning including 320 Acres of land-

Witness
Charles Hudson
J.C. Fain
Recorder



Survey of Land taken up by C.D. Daggett Begining at a ridge near the road South of the hot Springs; said ridge runs from the road up to a dry canon in the mountain thence running South from said ridge one mile thence East one mile thence North one mile thence West one mile to the place of beginning This 27th day of May 1854

J.C. Fain

58 of a Mortgage executed by Reese & Go to Al Fain Oct 30th 1854. in the words following to witindenture made the first day of November 1854 between James & Fain, of Carson talley o Wetah Territory of the first part and I'm & Reese & bo of Carson Falley Utah Ternton, of the second hart; notherseth; that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of three thousand dollars doth grant, targain sell and confirm, unto the said party of second part, and to their heirs and assign all that piece or parcel of land bounded a follows - to wit - Beginning at a point known as the south need corner of Adams & Brown boundary, theree south one half mile, thence east one mile, thence north one hay mile, thence west one mile along a deter fence running between Adams & Browns and Fain to the place of beginning, together with

Copy of Mortgage executed by J & E. Reese & Co to J.C. Fain Oct 30th 1854 in the words following - to wit "This indenture made the first day of November 1854 between James C. Fain, of Carson Valley of Utah Territory of the first part and J & E. Reese & Co of Carson Valley Utah Territory, of the second part; witnesseth: that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of three thousand dollars doth grant, bargain sell and confirm, unto the said party of the second part, and to their heirs and assigns all that piece of parcel of land bounded as follows - to wit- Beginning at a point known as the south west corner of Adam's & Brown's boundary, thence south one half mile, thence east one mile, thence north one half mile, thence west one mile along a ditch fence running between Adam's & Brown's and Fain to the place of beginning, together with

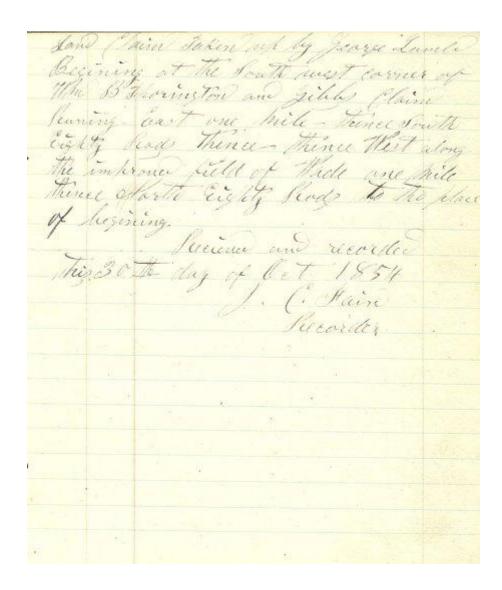
all and singular the heredit aments and 59 appurtenances, thereunto belonging, or in any This conveyance is intended as a most gage from the day of the date of these presents, according to the conder bond, dated this day, and executed But in case default shall be made the principal as above - wided, then the party of the first executors, administrators, and assigns are hereby empowered to sell the premises above described, with all and every o the appartenances, or any part the manner presented by the law

all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances, thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining - This conveyance is intended as a mortgage to secure the payment of the sum of Three Thousand Dollars in one year and six months from the day of the date of these presents, according to the condition of a certain bond, dated this day, and executed by the said James C. Fain, to the said party of the second part: and these presents shall be void if such payment be made But in case default shall be made in the payment of the principal as above provided, then the party of the first part his executors, administrators, and assigns are hereby empowered to sell the premises above described, with all and every of the appurtenances, or any part thereof in the manner prescribed by the laws of

principal and interests, together And it is further covenanted and agreed that the crops to be raised on said

Utah Territory; and out of the money arising from such sale, to retain the said principal and interests, together with the costs of making such sale; and the surplus, if any there be, shall be paid by the party making such sale on demand to the party of the first part, his heirs and assigns. And it is further covenanted and agreed that the crops to be raised on said farm shall be covered by the above mentioned mortgage, to secure in part the payment of the above amount to the party of the first part, by the parties of the second part their heirs and assigns."

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In presence of "J.& E. Reese & Co"
Charles Hudson} J.C. Fain
} Recorder
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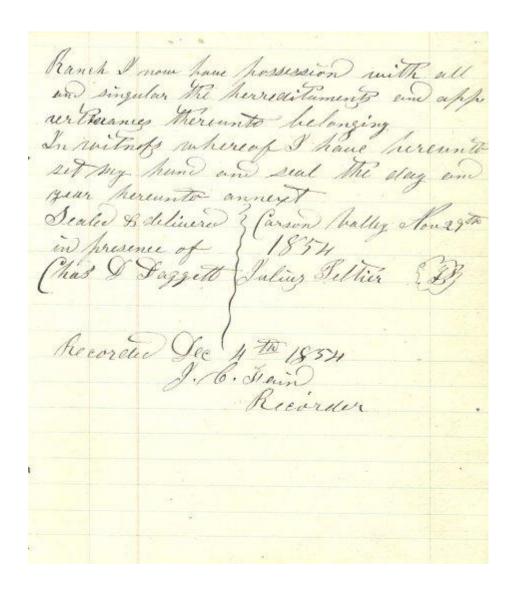


Land Claim Taken up by George Lamb Begining at the South west corner of Wm. B. Thorington and Gibbs Claim Runing East one mile-thence South Eighty Rods thence-thence West along the improved field of Wade one mile thence North Eighty Rods to the place of beginning

Received and recorded this 30th day of Oct 1854

J.C. Fain

Know all men by these presents that I Julius Peltier of Carson Valley Utah Territory in consideration of the sum of three hundred dollars to me in hand paid by George Fogle of the afforesaid valley & territory the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge have bargained sold and quitclaimed, and by these presents do bargain sell and quitclaim unto the said George Fogle and to his heirs and assigns forever all my right title interest estate claim and demand both at law and in equity and as well in possession as in expectancy of in and to one equal and undivided half of that certain piece or parcel of land situated in Jacks Valley being and known as the ranch claimed and located by Samel Blackford; of which



Ranch I now have possession with all and singular the herreditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging

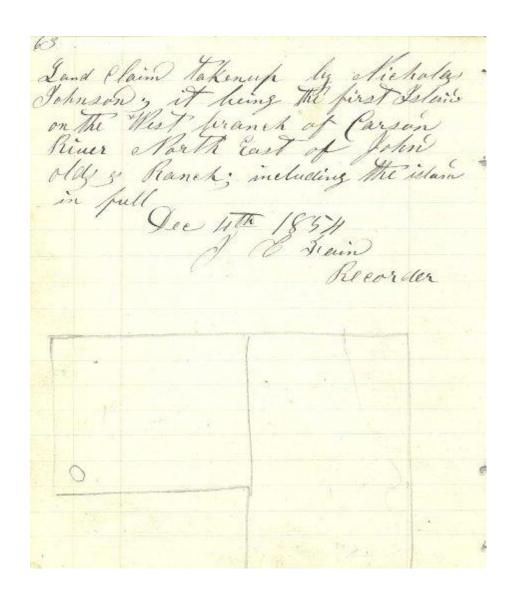
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year hereunto annexed Sealed & delivered} Carson Valley Nov 29th

in presence of } 1854

Chas D. Daggett } Julius Peltier SS

Recorded Dec 4th 1854

J.C. Fain



Land Claim taken up by Nicholas Johnson, it being the first Island on the West branch of Carson River North East of John Oldses Ranch; including the island in full

Dec 4th 1854

J.C. Fain

Justice Court }
Samuel Blackford}
vs }

Joseph Brown } I Sqire Mott Constable of Carson Valley Utah Territory do hereby certify that by virtue of an attachment in the above cause tested the 28th day of Nov 1854 by which I was commanded to make of Joseph Brown in said Valley seven hundred and sixty seven dollars & 32/100 which Samuel Blackford has recovered against him in said court for his damages which he had sustained by reason of his not paying certain debtes for his not costs and charges & if sufficient goods & chattels could not be found that then I should cause the said damages

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to be made of the real estate which the said Joseph Brown had on the 28th day of Nov 1854 as the said attachment reference being had thereunto made fully appears; I have levied upon and this day sold at public auction to Samuel Blackford who was the highest bidder for the sum of seven hundred & Eighty seven dollars & 32/100 which was the whole consideration of such sale the real Estate being one Equal & undivided half of the ranch known as Brown and Adams Ranch next north and Joining J.C. Fains ranch which sale is absolute given under my hand this 13th day of December 1854

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Recorded the day and date above written

J.C. Fain

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Carson Valley Carson County Utah Territory

Know all men by these presents that John G.B. Parker have this day Bargained and sold to Richard Sides and Abernathie all of Carson Valley the ranch and premices namely to wit Known and described as the Clear Creek Ranch first taken up by George Miers and C. Phillips and then afterwards one half sold was sold to one Joseph Barnard and the past summer ocupied By one John Murphy and John G.B. Parker and L the said John Parker and now in full possesion of the same and have bargained and sold the same to Richard Sides & Bolan Abernathie for the sum of one hundred dollars to me in

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Given under my hand this 7th Day of December A.D. 1854

In the presence }

Of } John G.B. Parker

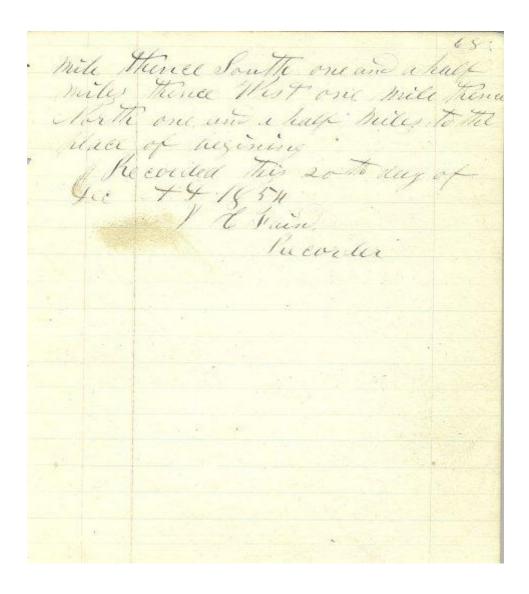
Thomas Knott }

Recorded this 20th Dec 1854

J.C. Fain

Recorder

Land claim taken up by Richard Sides Bolan Abernathy & Baldwin Including the above Ranch sold by G.B. Parker Begining at a stake near where the Road Crosses Clear Creek leading to Eagle Ranch Runing East one



mile thence south one and a half miles thence West one mile thence North one and a half miles to the place of beginning

Recorded this 20th day of Dec A.D. 1854

J.S. Fain

Throw all been by These Surents shat I Lough Brown of the Suretay of White at Carson bally For The Consideration of five hundred Tollars action to my full satisfaction of Rupus Adams Dai bully do by These present remise wheave and forever juitelain all right tille and interior which I The where have in or to one under ided half of A certain piece or tract of Lan situate in said farson balley bounded and discrete as follows beginning at a certa in stake near the base of the mountain Surving wast along A ditch have Hitteren Brown and hain to the Siene Thence North had lowing the suine to a Sichet some Think West along saw pence to the Base of the nountain thence South to The place of beginning findining sixhundre Ind farty Heres of Lund more or less: To have and to hate The above humises

Know all men by these Presents that I Joseph Brown of the Territory of Utah at Carson Valley For the consideration of Five hundred Dollars received to my full satisfaction of Rufus Adams of said Valley; do by these presents revise release and forever quitclaim all right title and interest which I the releasor have in or to one undivided half of A certain piece or tract of Land situated in said Carson Valley bounded and discribed as follows begining at a certain stake near the base of the mountain Running East along A ditch thence Between Brown and Fain to the River thence North Following the River to a Picket Fence thence West along said fence to the Base of the mountain thence South to the place of begining Containing six hundred And forty Acres of Land more or less. To have and to hold the above promises

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his heirs and assigns forever so that neither I the leasor my heirs and assigns nor any person Claiming under me have any right or title to the same; in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 1st day of September, A.D. 1853.

Chas. T. Daggett attest } Joseph Brown [SS]

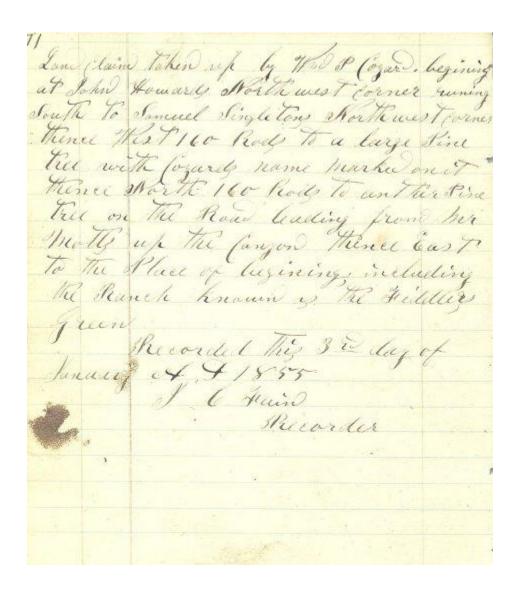
Carson Valley } On this sixteenth day of

Utah Territory } December in the year of our

Lord one Thousand eight hundred and fifty four before me personally came Joseph Brown to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the above described conveyance or deed and acknowledged that he Executed the same for the purpose therein mentioned Chas P Daggett SS

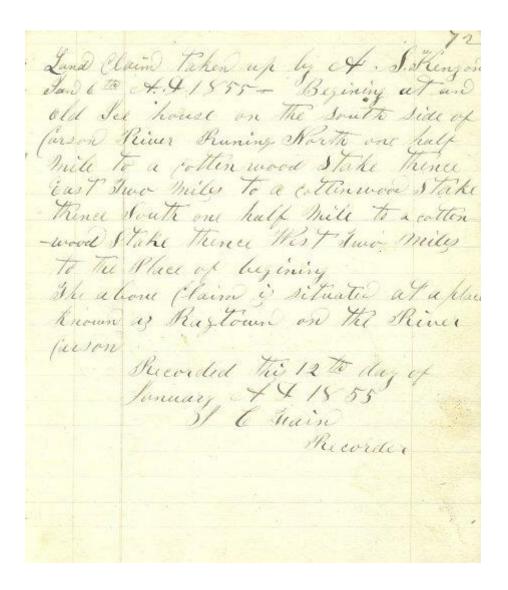
Recorded this 26th day of December 1854

J.C. Fain



Land claim taken up by Wm. P. Cozard. begining at John Howards Northwest corner runing South to Samuel Singleton's Northwest corner thence West 160 Rods to a large Pine tree with Cozards name marked on it thence North 160 Rods to another Pine tree on the Road leading from Mr. Motts up the Canyon thence East to the Place of begining; including the ranch known as the Fiddlers Green Recorded this 3rd day of January A.D. 1855

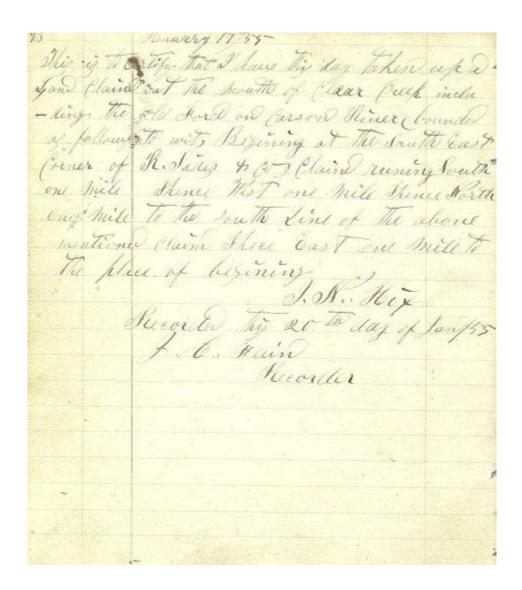
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Land Claim taken up by A. S. Kenyon Jan. 6th A.D. 1855-Begining at an old Ice house on the south side of Carson River Runing North one half mile to a cottonwood stake thence East Two miles to a cottonwood stake thence South one half mile to a cottonwood Stake thence West Two miles to the Place of beginning The above claim is situated at a place known as Ragtown on the River Carson

Recorded this 12th day of January A.D. 1855

J.C. Fain



January 17/55

This is to certify that I have this day taken up a Land Claim at the mouth of Clear Creek including the old Ford and Carson River bounded as follows to wit, Begining at the South East Corner of R. Sides & Co's claim runing South one mile Thence West one mile Thence North one mile to the south line of the above mentioned claim Thence East one mile to the place of beginning

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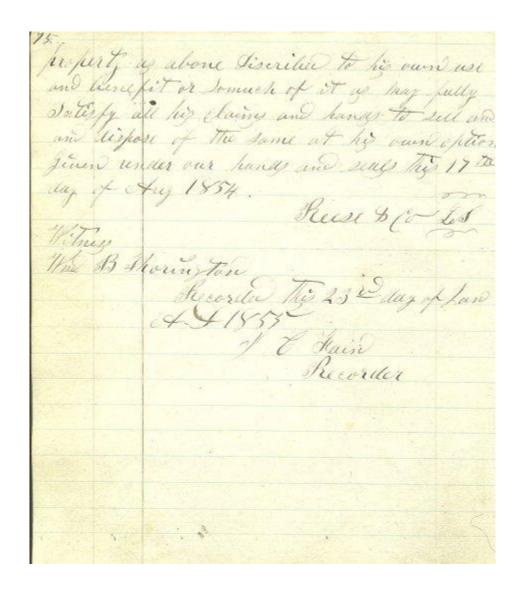
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Carson Valley U.T. Utah Territory

Know all men by these presents that we Reese and Company have this day agreed too and with Thomas Knott all of Carson Valley as follows to wit Whereas the said Thomas Knott have been Imployed by the said Company for sum time building a Saw mill Grist Mill Thrashing machine and Packing and so forth Sold the company Cattle mules and many other articles to a Large amount sum of four thousand Dollars which is in certain contracts writen and verbal therefore according to the Laws and Regulations the said Knott has a lean and full Right to claim and hold the said mill and all the machinery built by him in his hand to be and Remain his in fee simple until he and all his hands is fully paid and satisfied for the above condition according to contracts therefore the said company do fully agree to and Release to the said Knott, the above



property as above described to his own use and benefit or somuch of it as may fully satisfy all his claims and hands to sell and and dispose of the same at his own option given under our hands and seals this 17th day of Aug 1854

Reese & Co. SS

Witness

Wm. B. Thorington

Recorded this 23rd day of Jan A.D. 1855

J.C. Fain

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Carson Valley Sept. 9th 1854

Know all men by these presents that we J & E. Reese & Co have this day bargained and sold to Mr. William B. Thorington all the following property; to wit - all the Ranch and farm occupied and claimed by J & E. Reese and co - also all of the said Reese and & co share of Grain hay & etc raised on the said Ranch this season - together with Eight yoke of fine work cattle and one cow and ten head of horses sixty head of hogs seventy chickens all the farming and Blacksmithing tools together with all the Dry goods groceries hardware Drugs & etc -now in the store and store house of Reese & Co - together with all the household furniture and cooking utensils of Reese & co.- together with our other claim called Eagle Ranch at Eagle Valley and one half of the Carson Valley Bridge on the old Emmigrant Road, Whereas

the said Reese & co is justly indebted to me in the sum of Twenty-three thousand dollars, money had and received by said Reese & co from William B. Thorington Therefore the said company have sold and delivered and turned out to the said W.B. Thorington the above described property for his own use and benefit to satisfy said above sum of money with the exception of the mills and machinery built by Thomas Knott on the said Ranch in Carson Valley in witness our hands and seals this day and year above writen

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} J. & E Reese & Co. SS
In the presence of }
Thomas Knott }
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Recorded this 23rd day of Jan/55
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Know all here by their presents that we I to a Ruce to is consideration of \$ 10000 Jen Housand Tollars Tow in hour raid by Normathan huse of the city of william busy Is state of Nougark - also \$ 1500 & efter fundred & Mar To us in hand faid by Thomas, H. Burrels of Menjorker - und & 1,000 One Thousand Gollary To up in level paid by formaline Egglant of Menyork City - an \$ 500 Eight hundred Sollars to us in have paid by Rosench Byrnes of August city - and \$ 300 three hundred toler To us in hand faid by Relecce monroe of Ulice Menger - and \$ 400 Four hundred Tollier to up in hand hate by muchel Hunty of retien Newyork. The wester whereof we do hereby acknowledge, To here by grant sell an quit claim unto The smil solmation Succe - Shomes # Burnes - Corneling Egglet - hours Byines - Rebeca monrae - to Michel A winty. Their heir and assigns all our right title plaine and demand in and unto a Gristmill Sam Mill Thrushing hashine and water Pauce with all The mashingry an appurtainance Thereunto

Know all men by these presents that we J & E. Reese & Co in consideration of \$10000 ten thousand dollars to us in hand paid by Johnathan Reese of the city of Williamsburg & state of Newyork - also \$1500 Fifteen Hundred dollars to us in hand paid by Thomas H. Burress of Newyork city - and \$1000 One Thousand Dollars to us in hand paid by Cornelius Eggbert of Newyork city - and \$800 Eight hundred dollars to us in hand paid by Rosanah Byrnes of Newyork city - and \$300 Three hundred Dollars to us in hand paid by Rebeca Monroe of Utica Newyork - and \$400 Four hundred Dollars to us in hand paid by Michel Frintz of Utica Newyork. The receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge. Do hereby grant sell and quit claim unto the said Johnathon Reese - Thomas H. Burress - Cornelius Eggbert - Rosanah Byrnes - Rebeca Monroe - & Michel Frintz their heirs and assigns all our right title claim and demand in and unto a Gristmill sawmill thrashing machine and water Power with all the machinery and appurtainances thereunto

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belonging situated in Carson Valley Utah Territory at a place known as the old Mormon station to have and to hold the same to the said Johnathan Reese - Thomas H. Burress - Cornelius Eggbert - Rosanah Byrnes - Rebeca Monroe & Michel Frintz their heirs and assigns to them and their use and behoof forever. And we do covenant to warrant and defend the said grantee and quit claimed premises to the said Johnathan Reese - Thomas H. Burress - Cornelius Eggbert - Rosanah Byrnes - Rebeca Monroe - and Michael Frintz, their heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons claiming by or under us. Provided never theless that if we the said J & E. Reese & co or our heirs Executors and administrators shall pay to the said Johnathan Reese - Thomas H. Burress - Cornelius Eggbert - Rosanah Byrnes - Rebeca Monroe - & Michel Frintz their Executors and administrators and assigns

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} J & E. Reese & co SS

Signed sealed and delivered}

In presence of us }

William B. Thorington } Recorded this 10th day of February A.D. 1855

} J.C. Fain
} Recorder
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This Indenture made This hineteenth day of Subrunny one spousand and fifty five between Alunther black and It of Stewart of white Rock & Placerville Respectively- Eldorado County California Stewart for and in consideration These hundrie dollars have granted bargaine sold and by These present to grant hargain well, Councy and Confirm unto the said mose Tob his here executor administrators and assigns for ever all and Singular a certain Sie or parcel of law situate in farson balley Utak Turitory; Commencing at my Corser North line bearings six hundrer to forty acres more or less a describer to recorded in the Recorder office in said valley together with all The Improvements In Wilney Whereof the have hereunto set our hands to Leals This Wineteenthe day of Jubruary lighteen hundred and lifty

This Indenture made this nineteenth day of February one thousand and fifty five between Alanthus Clark and A.G. Stewart of White Rock & Placerville Respectfully- Eldorado County California of the first Part - Witness that the said Alanthus Clark & A.G. Stewart for and in consideration of three hundred dollars have granted bargained and Sold and by these presents do grant bargain sell convey and confirm unto the said Moses Job his heirs executors administrators and assigns for ever all and singular a certain Piece or parcel of land situate in Carson Valley Utah Territory; Commencing at Mr. Corsers North line beaing six hundred & forty acres more or less as described & recorded in the Recorders office of said valley together with all the Improvements In Witness Whereof We have hereunto set our hands & seals this Nineteenth day of February Eighteen hundred and fifty five

} Atlantas Clark SS

Recorded this 5th day of March }

1855 J.C. Fain Recorder } A.G. Stewart SS